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CHAPTER 82

SENATE BILL 1063

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 36-136, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 36-136, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

36-136. <u>Powers and duties of director; compensation of personnel</u>

- A. The director shall:
- 1. Be the executive officer of the department of health services and the state registrar of vital statistics but shall NOT receive no compensation for services as registrar.
- 2. Perform all duties necessary to carry out the functions and responsibilities of the department.
- 3. Prescribe the organization of the department. The director shall appoint or remove such personnel considered necessary for the efficient work of the department and shall prescribe the duties of all personnel. The director may abolish any office or position in the department that the director believes is unnecessary.
- 4. Administer and enforce the laws relating to health and sanitation and the rules of the department.
- 5. Provide for the examination of any premises if the director has reasonable cause to believe that on the premises there exists a violation of any health law or rule of the state.
- 6. Exercise general supervision over all matters relating to sanitation and health throughout the state. When in the opinion of the director it is necessary or advisable, a sanitary survey of the whole or of any part of the state shall be made. The director may enter upon, examine and survey any source and means of water supply, sewage disposal plant, sewerage system, prison, public or private place of detention, asylum, hospital, school, public building, private institution, factory, workshop, tenement, public washroom, public rest room, public toilet and toilet facility, public eating room and restaurant, dairy, milk plant or food manufacturing or processing plant, and any premises in which the director has reason to believe there exists a violation of any health law or rule of the state which the director has the duty to administer.
 - 7. Prepare sanitary and public health rules.
 - 8. Perform other duties prescribed by law.
- B. If the director has reasonable cause to believe that there exists a violation of any health law or rule of the state, the director may make an inspection of INSPECT any person or property in transportation through the state, and of any car, boat, train, trailer, airplane or other vehicle in which such person or property is transported, and may enforce detention or disinfection as reasonably necessary for the public health if there exists a violation of any health law or rule.
- C. The director may deputize, in writing, any qualified officer or employee in the department to do or perform in ON the director's stead BEHALF

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any act the director is by law empowered to do or charged with the responsibility of doing.

- D. The director may delegate to a local health department or public health services district any functions, powers or duties which THAT the director believes can be competently, efficiently and properly performed by the health department or public health services district if:
- 1. The director or superintendent of the local health agency or public health services district is willing to accept such THE delegation and agrees to perform or exercise the functions, powers and duties conferred in accordance with the standards of performance established by the director.
- 2. Funds MONIES appropriated or otherwise made available to the department for distribution to or division among counties or public health services districts for local health work may be allocated or reallocated in a manner designed to assure the accomplishment of recognized local public health activities and delegated functions, powers and duties in accordance with applicable standards of performance. Whenever in the director's opinion there is cause, the director may terminate all or a part of any such delegation and may reallocate all or a part of any funds that may have been conditioned upon ON the further performance of the functions, powers or duties conferred.
- E. The compensation of all personnel shall be as determined pursuant to section 38-611.
- F. The director may make and amend rules necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of the laws relating to the public health.
- G. Notwithstanding subsection H, paragraph 1 of this section, the director may define and prescribe emergency measures for detecting, reporting, preventing and controlling new communicable or infectious diseases or conditions if he THE DIRECTOR has reasonable cause to believe that a serious threat to public health and welfare exists and that the communicable disease advisory council established in section 36-136.03 has reviewed and approved the emergency measure. Emergency measures are effective for no longer than eighteen months.
 - H. The director shall, by rule:
- 1. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures for detecting, reporting, preventing and controlling communicable and preventable diseases. The rules shall declare certain diseases reportable and shall further establish minimum periods of isolation or quarantine and procedures and measures to institute isolation or quarantine, including the right to a hearing. The rules shall allow the director to institute isolation or quarantine before the completion of a hearing if he THE DIRECTOR determines that clear and convincing evidence exists that a person poses a substantial danger to another person or the community. The rules shall prescribe measures reasonably required to prevent the occurrence of, or to seek early detection and alleviation of, disability, insofar as possible, from

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communicable or preventable diseases. The rules shall include reasonably necessary measures to control animal diseases transmittable to $\overline{\text{man}}$ HUMANS.

- 2. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures, in addition to those prescribed by law, regarding the preparation, embalming, cremation, interment, disinterment and transportation of dead human bodies and the conduct of funerals, relating to and restricted to communicable diseases and regarding the removal, transportation, cremation, interment or disinterment of any dead human body.
- 3. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary procedures not inconsistent with law in regard to the use and accessibility of vital records, delayed birth registration and the completion, change and amendment of vital records.
- 4. Except as relating to the beneficial use of wildlife meat by public institutions and charitable organizations pursuant to title 17, prescribe reasonably necessary measures to assure that all food, including meat and meat products sold at the retail level, or drink, other than milk and milk products, sold or distributed for human consumption is free from unwholesome, poisonous or other foreign substances and filth, insects or disease-causing organisms. The rules shall prescribe reasonably necessary measures governing the production, processing, labeling, storing, handling, serving transportation of such food and drink. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for the sanitary facilities and conditions which shall be maintained in any plant, other than a meat packing plant, slaughterhouse or wholesale meat processing plant, and in any warehouse, restaurant or other premises and in any truck or other vehicle in which food or drink is produced, processed, stored, handled, served or transported. The rules shall provide for the inspection and licensing of premises and vehicles so used, and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises or vehicles which do not comply with the rules and minimum standards.
- 5. Prescribe reasonably necessary measures to assure that all meat and meat products for human consumption handled at the retail level are delivered in a manner and from sources approved by the Arizona department of agriculture and are free from unwholesome, poisonous or other foreign substances and filth, insects or disease-causing organisms. The rules shall prescribe standards for sanitary facilities to be used in identity, storage, handling and sale of all meat and meat products sold at the retail level.
- 6. Prescribe reasonably necessary measures regarding production, processing, labeling, handling, serving and transportation of bottled water to assure that all bottled drinking water distributed for human consumption is free from unwholesome, poisonous, deleterious or other foreign substances and filth or disease-causing organisms. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for the sanitary facilities and conditions which shall be maintained at any source of water, bottling plant and truck or vehicle in which bottled water is produced, processed, stored or transported and shall provide for inspection and certification of bottled drinking water sources,

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plants, processes and transportation and for abatement as a public nuisance of any water supply, label, premises, equipment, process or vehicle which does not comply with the minimum standards. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for bacteriological, physical and chemical quality for bottled water and for the submission of samples at intervals prescribed in the standards.

- 7. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures governing ice production, handling, storing and distribution to assure that all ice sold or distributed for human consumption or for the preservation or storage of food for human consumption is free from unwholesome, poisonous, deleterious or other foreign substances and filth or disease-causing organisms. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for the sanitary facilities and conditions and the quality of ice which shall be maintained at any ice plant, storage and truck or vehicle in which ice is produced, stored, handled or transported, and shall provide for inspection and licensing of the premises and vehicles, and for abatement as public nuisances of ice, premises, equipment, processes or vehicles which do not comply with the minimum standards.
- 8. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures concerning sewage and excreta disposal, garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal, and water supply for recreational and summer camps, campgrounds, motels, tourist courts, trailer coach parks and hotels. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for preparation of food in community kitchens, adequacy of excreta disposal, garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal and water supply for recreational and summer camps, campgrounds, motels, tourist courts, trailer coach parks and hotels and shall provide for inspection of such premises and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises or facilities which do not comply with the rules.
- 9. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures concerning the sewage and excreta disposal, garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal, water supply and food preparation of all public schools. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for sanitary conditions which shall be maintained in any public school and shall provide for inspection of such premises and facilities and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises which do not comply with the minimum standards.
- 10. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures regarding sewage and excreta disposal, garbage and trash collection, storage and disposal, water supply and food preparation for all workshops and other places of employment. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for sanitary conditions and facilities at workshops and other places of employment and shall provide for inspection of such premises and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises and facilities which do not comply with the minimum standards.
- 11. Prescribe reasonably necessary measures to prevent pollution of water used in public or semipublic swimming pools and bathing places and to

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 prevent deleterious health conditions at such places. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for sanitary conditions which shall be maintained at any public or semipublic swimming pool or bathing place and shall provide for inspection of such premises and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises and facilities which do not comply with the minimum standards. The rules shall be developed in cooperation with the director of the department of environmental quality and shall be consistent with the rules adopted by the director of the department of environmental quality pursuant to section 49-104, subsection B, paragraph 12.

- 12. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary measures regarding minimum standards for the sanitary conditions and facilities which shall be maintained in any public or semipublic building and shall provide for inspection of such premises and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises and facilities which do not comply with the minimum standards.
- 13. Define and prescribe reasonably necessary sanitary measures concerning sewage collection, treatment and disposal, putrescible waste collection, storage and disposal and rubbish, trash and manure collection, storage and disposal for all fertilizer manufacturing plants. The rules shall prescribe minimum standards for the sanitary conditions and facilities which shall be maintained at any such plant and shall provide for inspection of such premises and for abatement as public nuisances of any premises and facilities which do not comply with the minimum standards.
- 14. 13. Prescribe reasonably necessary measures to keep confidential information relating to diagnostic findings and treatment of patients, as well as information relating to contacts, suspects and associates of communicable disease patients. In no event shall such confidential information be made available for political or commercial purposes.
- 15. 14. Prescribe reasonably necessary measures regarding human immunodeficiency virus testing as a means to control the transmission of that virus, including the designation of anonymous test sites as dictated by current epidemiologic and scientific evidence.
- I. The rules adopted under the authority conferred by this section shall be observed throughout the state and shall be enforced by each local board of health or public health services district, but this section does not limit the right of any local board of health or county board of supervisors to adopt ordinances and rules as authorized by law within its jurisdiction, provided that the ordinances and rules do not conflict with state law and are equal to or more restrictive than the rules of the director.
- J. The powers and duties prescribed by this section do not apply in instances in which regulatory powers and duties relating to public health are vested by the legislature in any other state board, commission, agency or instrumentality, except that with regard to the regulation of meat and meat products, the department of health services and the Arizona department of agriculture within the area delegated to each shall adopt rules which are not in conflict.

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K. The director, in establishing fees authorized by this section, shall comply with title 41, chapter 6. The department shall not set a fee at more than the department's cost of providing the service for which the fee is charged. State agencies are exempt from all fees imposed pursuant to this section.

L. After consultation with the state superintendent of public instruction, the director shall prescribe the criteria the department shall use in deciding whether or not to notify a local school district that a pupil in the district has tested positive for the human immunodeficiency virus antibody. The director shall prescribe the procedure by which the department shall notify a school district if, pursuant to these criteria, the department determines that notification is warranted in a particular situation. This procedure shall include a requirement that prior to notification the department shall determine to its satisfaction that the district has an appropriate policy relating to nondiscrimination of the infected pupil and confidentiality of test results and that proper educational counseling has been or will be provided to staff and pupils.

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